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SUBJ: ARMS SUPPLY TO MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES

1. AP TICKER QUOTING U. S. OFFICIALS HAS CARRIED REPORT  
THAT USSR HAS BEGUN A MAJOR AIRLIFT TO RESUPPLY SYRIA AND  
EGYPT AND THAT SOVIETS USING THEIR BIGGEST AND BEST TRANS-  
PORT PLANES WHICH ARE DELIVERING VERY LARGE TONNAGES.  
REPORT SAYS SO FAR THERE IS NO EVIDENCE SOVIETS ARE RE-  
PLACING SYRIAN AND EGYPTIAN FIGHTER AIRCRAFT.

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2. AP ALSO CARRYING A REPORT QUOTING THE NORFOLK STAR

LEDGER THAT A BOEING 707 WITH ISRAELI MARKINGS ON ITS TAIL SECTION WAS LOADED WITH MISSILES AND BOMBS AT OCEANA NAVAL AIR STATION IN VIRGINIA ON OCTOBER 10. REPORT SAYS THAT ARMS INCLUDE SPARROW AND SIDEWINDER AIR-TO-AIR MISSILES AND THAT WHILE LOADING UNDERWAY, SAILORS WERE COVERING ISRAELI MARKINGS ON AIRCRAFT WITH PAPER AND MASKING TAPE.

3. RE RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS ON SOVIET AIRLIFT, SEE SEPTTEL CONVEYING DEPARTMENT'S NOON PRESS BRIEFING. IN EVENT QUESTIONS RAISED ON REPORT IN PARA TWO, WE INTEND TO HOLD TO OUR STANDARD POSITION THAT WE DO NOT COMMENT ON DETAILS OF OUR MILITARY SUPPLY RELATIONSHIP WITH COUNTRIES IN MIDDLE EAST. KISSINGER UNQTE KISSINGER

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